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## HOUSE BILL No. 1138

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DIGEST OF HB 1138 (Updated January 25, 2006 12:40 pm - DI 52)

**Citations Affected:** IC 14-22.

**Synopsis:** Hunting and lifetime license trust fund. Authorizes the director of the department of natural resources, with the approval of the natural resources commission and the budget agency, and after review by the budget committee, to use money in the lifetime hunting, fishing, and trapping license trust fund to acquire property to be used for hunting and fishing. Makes a continuing appropriation. Allows the director to designate free hunting days for youth hunters. Reduces the minimum license fee to take an extra deer.

**Effective:** July 1, 2006.

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January 5, 2006, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources.  
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Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2005 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

## HOUSE BILL No. 1138

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning natural and cultural resources and to make an appropriation.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 14-22-4-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2006]: Sec. 6. (a) On July 1 of each  
3 year:

- 4 (1) all of the accumulated earnings in the fund; plus  
5 (2) two and one-half percent (2 1/2%) of the money in the fund,  
6 less the accumulated earnings;

7 shall be transferred to the fish and wildlife fund to maintain the  
8 automated point of sale licensing system implemented under  
9 IC 14-22-12-7.5. Any unused part of the transfer under this subsection  
10 may be used for the other purposes specified in IC 14-22-3-5(a).

11 **(b) The director:**

- 12 **(1) with the approval of the commission;**  
13 **(2) with the approval of the budget agency; and**  
14 **(3) after review by the budget committee;**

15 **may use money in the fund to acquire real property that will be**  
16 **used and managed for hunting and fishing. The money used under**  
17 **this subsection to acquire real property may not exceed fifty**

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percent (50%) of the appraised value of the real property. There is continually appropriated to the department from the fund an amount sufficient to implement this subsection.

~~(b)~~ (c) The money in the fund may be used for no other purpose: only for the purposes authorized in this section.

SECTION 2. IC 14-22-11-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2006]: Sec. 6. Except as provided in ~~section~~ sections 1 and 18 of this chapter, every person must have a hunting license in the person's possession when hunting.

SECTION 3. IC 14-22-11-18 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2006]: Sec. 18. (a) The director may designate not more than four (4) days each year as free hunting days for youth hunters.

(b) During a free hunting day for youth hunters designated under subsection (a), a resident who is less than sixteen (16) years of age may:

- (1) hunt using hunting methods that are designated by the director and that are legal for that hunting season; and
- (2) exercise the same privileges that a resident is entitled to under IC 14-22-12-1(24).

A youth hunter is not required to pay a fee or possess a hunting license.

(c) A youth hunter who hunts during a free hunting day for youth hunters under this section must:

- (1) comply with the conditions and rules adopted by the director; and
- (2) be accompanied by an individual who:
  - (A) is at least eighteen (18) years of age; and
  - (B) holds a valid hunting license under IC 14-22-12 or is not required to have a hunting license under this chapter.

(d) The individual under subsection (c)(2) who accompanies the youth hunter:

- (1) must be in close enough proximity to monitor the youth hunter's activities and communicate with the youth hunter at all times; and
- (2) may assist the youth hunter, including calling, but may not carry a firearm or bow and arrow.

SECTION 4. IC 14-22-12-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2006]: Sec. 1. (a) The department may issue the following licenses and, except as provided in section 1.5 of this chapter and subject to subsection (b), shall charge the following

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minimum license fees to hunt, trap, or fish in Indiana:

- (1) A resident yearly license to fish, eight dollars and seventy-five cents (\$8.75).
- (2) A resident yearly license to hunt, eight dollars and seventy-five cents (\$8.75).
- (3) A resident yearly license to hunt and fish, thirteen dollars and seventy-five cents (\$13.75).
- (4) A resident yearly license to trap, eight dollars and seventy-five cents (\$8.75).
- (5) A nonresident yearly license to fish, twenty-four dollars and seventy-five cents (\$24.75).
- (6) A nonresident yearly license to hunt, sixty dollars and seventy-five cents (\$60.75).
- (7) A nonresident yearly license to trap, one hundred seventeen dollars and seventy-five cents (\$117.75). However, a license may not be issued to a resident of another state if that state does not give reciprocity rights to Indiana residents similar to those nonresident trapping privileges extended in Indiana.
- (8) A resident or nonresident license to fish, including for trout and salmon, for one (1) day only, four dollars and seventy-five cents (\$4.75).
- (9) A nonresident license to fish, excluding for trout and salmon, for seven (7) days only, twelve dollars and seventy-five cents (\$12.75).
- (10) A nonresident license to hunt for five (5) consecutive days only, twenty-five dollars and seventy-five cents (\$25.75).
- (11) A resident or nonresident yearly stamp to fish for trout and salmon, six dollars and seventy-five cents (\$6.75).
- (12) A resident yearly license to take a deer with a shotgun, muzzle loading gun, or handgun, thirteen dollars and seventy-five cents (\$13.75).
- (13) A resident yearly license to take a deer with a muzzle loading gun, thirteen dollars and seventy-five cents (\$13.75).
- (14) A resident yearly license to take a deer with a bow and arrow, thirteen dollars and seventy-five cents (\$13.75).
- (15) A nonresident yearly license to take a deer with a shotgun, muzzle loading gun, or handgun, one hundred twenty dollars and seventy-five cents (\$120.75).
- (16) A nonresident yearly license to take a deer with a muzzle loading gun, one hundred twenty dollars and seventy-five cents (\$120.75).
- (17) A nonresident yearly license to take a deer with a bow and

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arrow, one hundred twenty dollars and seventy-five cents (\$120.75).

(18) A resident license to take an extra deer by a means, in a location, and under conditions established by rule adopted by the department under IC 4-22-2, ~~thirteen~~ **five** dollars and ~~seventy-five cents (\$13.75):~~ **(\$5)**.

(19) A nonresident license to take an extra deer by a means, in a location, and under conditions established by rule adopted by the department under IC 4-22-2, ~~one hundred twenty ten dollars and seventy-five cents (\$120.75):~~ **(\$10)**.

(20) A resident yearly license to take a turkey, fourteen dollars and seventy-five cents (\$14.75).

(21) A nonresident yearly license to take a turkey, one hundred fourteen dollars and seventy-five cents (\$114.75). However, if the state of residence of the nonresident applicant requires that before a resident of Indiana may take turkey in that state the resident of Indiana must also purchase another license in addition to a nonresident license to take turkey, the applicant must also purchase a nonresident yearly license to hunt under this section.

(22) If a fall wild turkey season is established, a resident license to take an extra turkey by a means, in a location, and under conditions established by rule adopted by the department under IC 4-22-2, fourteen dollars and seventy-five cents (\$14.75).

(23) If a fall wild turkey season is established, a nonresident license to take an extra turkey by a means, in a location, and under conditions established by rule adopted by the department under IC 4-22-2, one hundred fourteen dollars and seventy-five cents (\$114.75). However, if the state of residence of the nonresident applicant requires that before a resident of Indiana may take **a** turkey in that state the resident of Indiana must also purchase another license in addition to a nonresident license to take **a** turkey, the applicant must also purchase a nonresident yearly license to hunt under this section.

(24) A resident youth yearly consolidated license to hunt and fish, six dollars (\$6). This license is subject to the following:

(A) An applicant must be less than eighteen (18) years of age.

(B) The license is in lieu of the resident yearly license to hunt and fish and all other yearly licenses, stamps, or permits to hunt and fish for a specific species or by a specific means.

(b) The commission may set license fees to hunt, trap, or fish above the minimum fees established under subsection (a).

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## COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Natural Resources, to which was referred House Bill 1138, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill do pass.

HOFFMAN, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 10, nays 0.

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